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# Supreme Court of the United States

James Widtfeldt et al, Petitioner, Appellants

V.

Thomas Vilsack, formerly Michael Johanns, in his capacity as Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture, et al,

Defendants, Appellees

On Appeal From
The United States Court of Appeals
For the Eighth Circuit, 07-1284
Nebraska US District Court 8:05 CV 49

#### PETITION FOR RULE 44 REHEARING ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI

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Petitioner James Widtfeldt et al,
respectfully petitions for a re-hearing on
the petition for writ of certiorari to review
the judgment of the United States Court of
Appeals for the Eighth Circuit in this case,
appearing in the appendix to the Petition
for Certiorari.

Petitioner requests that the Order of April 20, 2009, communicated by William K. Suter, (on partially obscured letterhead),

Page 2 Pet'n for Re-Hearing 4-20-09 Order but what is legible states Supreme Court of the United States, Office of the Clerk, Washington, DC 20543-0001, William K. Suter, Clerk of the Court, 202-479-3011, and addressed to:

Clerk, United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, Thomas F. Eagleton Courthouse, 111 South 10th Street, Room 24329, St. Louis, MO 63102, RE: James Widtfeldt vs Thomas J. Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture et al, No. 08-1007, (Your No. 07-1284) as follows: Dear Clerk: "The

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Court today entered the following order in

the above entitled case: "The Petition for

Writ of Certiorari is denied."

#### **OPINION BELOW**

On April 20, 2009, the United States

Supreme Court entered its order, "The

petition for a writ of certiorari is denied."

The other decisions below are as stated in the Petition for Writ of Certiorari.

**JURISDICTION** 

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This court already seized jurisdiction for the reasons shown in the Petition for Writ of Certiorari, in entering its Order of April 20, 2009.

## **RELEVANT STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

- I. ASSIGNMENT OF PAYMENTS 7USC § 7995
- II. AMENDMENT 5 US
  CONSTITUTION

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you don't" farm subsidies are a major

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different policies should be adopted.

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Page 6 Pet'n for Re-Hearing 4-20-09 Order WIDTFELDT WAS A PRODUCER NOWMORE THAN EVER, AS **BURIVALS WERE ALREADY** PROBABLY OF NEGATIVE NET WORTH IN YEAR 2000, AND BURIVALS WERE UNABLE TO SUFFER RISK OF LOSS FOR THE REASON THEIR LOSSES CONSUMED THEIR WHOLE ASSETS IN 2000, BURIVALS WERE ALREADY BANKRUPTCY BAIT IN 2000, PROBABLY AT ALL TIMES **INCLUDING AND FOLLOWING 2000,** 

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AND PROBABLY LONG BEFORE THAT

YEAR.

#### STATEMENT

This is a case involving a grant of various USDA subsidies which were improperly revoked.

I. ASSIGNMENT OF PAYMENTS 7USC § 7995

"The provisions of section 590h(g) of

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Title 16, relating to assignment of
payments, shall apply to payments made
under the authority of this Act. The
producer making the assignment, or the
assignee, shall provide the Secretary with
notice, in such manner as the Secretary
may require, of any assignment made
under this section."

All the Widtfeldt renters have properly signed assignments to Widtfeldt of any government payments in issue, all in proper form, and all timely done.

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The USDA-FSA is not allowed to rescind assigned payments, particularly where most or all assignees are not producers nor are assignees required to be producers.

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#### CONSTITUTION

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Daily news of the recession occurring under the Obama administration shows that real estate has been greatly overvalued, and that the government taxes are in violation of the 5th amendment of the US Constitution, an unlawful taking of private property by taxing at values far in excess of actual values, and that in fact, the over valuation of real estate for purpose of loans and tax assessments is a precipitating

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"subsidies" and then reneged or demanded return of the subsidies, after first using misguided and tentative subsidies to provoke higher apparent real estate values, and higher real estate taxes, than warranted by the actual market conditions. Widtfeldt land valuations would not have been nearly so high, and

Page 12 Pet'n for Re-Hearing 4-20-09 Order real estate taxes would not have been nearly so onerous, but for the USDA tactic of inciting over - valuations of real estate through arbitrary and capricious granting and revocation of USDA subsidies, leading private investors such as Widtfeldt astray.

This court should require this matter
to go to hearing on the Petition for
Certiorari, and the lower decisions should
all be reversed and require the subsidies to
be honored and any rescission of Widtfeldt
subsidies should in turn be be rescinded so

Page 13 Pet'n for Re-Hearing 4-20-09 Order that Widtfeldt is not required to refund any government payments made.

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Page 14 Pet'n for Re-Hearing 4-20-09 Order **WORTH IN YEAR 2000, AND** BURIVALS WERE UNABLE TO SUFFER RISK OF LOSS FOR THE REASON THEIR LOSSES CONSUMED THEIR WHOLE ASSETS IN 2000, BURIVALS WERE ALREADY BANKRUPTCY BAIT IN 2000, PROBABLY AT ALL TIMES **INCLUDING AND FOLLOWING 2000,** AND PROBABLY LONG BEFORE THAT YEAR.

Any risk of loss which the USDA has

Page 15 Pet'n for Re-Hearing 4-20-09 Order claimed to be suffered by Burivals is clearly not sustained or suffered or shared by Burivals in any way, shown by Burivals' bankruptcy. Burivals, and probably others of Widtfeldt renters, were among the walking dead or walking wounded, suffering from financial wounds which were too severe to be bound up, in 2000. This court needs to hear this appeal to avoid further disasters in running the US economy. Burivals have been operating on borrowed money and

Page 16 Pet'n for Re-Hearing 4-20-09 Order borrowed time, and have passed all risk of loss to Widtfeldt and other Burival creditors, on all crops from 2000 and later.

The renters who, according to the government, should have received the subsidies, have in at least two cases, that of Gary and Joyce Burival, and their sons,

Phi. and Richard Burival, Nebraska

Bankruptcy BK 07-42271&42273, ceased

business and their real estate sold, and all without payment of Widtfeldt rent. In other words, the USDA efforts to declare

Page 17 Pet'n for Re-Hearing 4-20-09 Order Widtfeldt not a producer are completely unavailing, and daily shown to be more and more inaccurate, as the USDA identified producers are bankrupting out of the picture, not having any risk of loss, and Widtfeldt in fact had the risk of loss and was a producer, ever since and including the year 2000. Again, Widtfeldt "renters" had no risk of loss, including and since 2000 -- Burivals were insolvent, financially broke, or hopelessly over extended beginning even before the year

Page 18 Pet'n for Re-Hearing 4-20-09 Order 2000, and Burivals have and did not suffer any more or less because of crop size since 2000. Or earlier. Widtfeldt renters were already headed for bankruptcy and their creditors owned the risk of loss. Burival creditors, and especially Widtfeldt, have suffered losses, not Burivals, on any Burival crop.

Any final decision refusing to honor the subsidies,

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The relevant statutory provisions are as shown in the Petition for Writ of Certiorari.

#### CONCLUSION

Petitioner respectfully requests that each of Widtfeldt renters in the years 2000 through the present have assigned their government payments to James Widtfeldt, which pursuant to 7 USC 7995. The assignment of payments to Widtfeldt takes this matter out of the claimed rescission, as

Page 20 Pet'n for Re-Hearing 4-20-09 Order the USDA has no requirements for assignees of counter-cyclical or other USDA-FSA payments. For example, any producer can assign counter cyclical payments to a bank without forfeiture of the payments, and in this case, Widtfeldt, as assignee, is appropriate and permitted to accept assignment of government payments.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF RULE 44**

Comes now James Widtfeldt and certifies that this Petition for Rehearing is:

a) presented in good faith and not for delay

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- b) this certificate will follow and be attached to each copy of the Petition for Rehearing;
- c) filing fee of \$200 is enclosed;
- d) this petition for rehearing is limited to intervening circumstances, namely, developments in renter bankruptcy which cause 7 USC § 7995 to be more relevant than in the Petition for Certiorari.

James Widtfeldt